RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : It was reported that it was doing considerable damage.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : May I know whether the particular elephant referred to is not a rogue elephant?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : It depends on the amount of damage that the elephant does.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : May I know whether this particular elephant has not done considerable damage?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : Further reports are due on the matter and as soon as they are received action will be taken.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI ഒരു ടസ്കറാക്കൊമ്പനാന ഒരു മോഴയോട് കൂടി നടന്നു ശല്യങ്ങൾ ചെയ്യുന്നതായി കൺസർവേറാക്കറിവുണ്ടോ.

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR: ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ റിപ്പോർട്ട് അങ്ങിനെ വന്നിട്ടില്ലാ.

PRESIDENT : Apparently there is one more of the damaging elephant.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI : ആ റൊക്കൊമ്പനാനയുടെ കാലിൽ ഒരു മുറിഞ്ഞ ചങ്ങലയുണ്ടെന്നും അതു മി. കുമാരമാസിന്റെ അമ്മാവന്റെ ആനയായിരുന്നുവെന്നും അതു കാട്ടിൽ കയറിയതാണെന്നും കൺസർവേറാർക്കു അറിയാമോ?

PRESIDENT : You must make enquires about that tusker.

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

Reserved Forests for food cultivation.

32 * **MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM :** Will the Government be pleased to state whether any area of lands within the reserved forests auctioned in 1118 for food cultivation has been left without cultivation since the auction date to 15-4-1119?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : Yes.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM : May I know why those reserved forest lands were not cultivated?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKITESWARA AIYAR : In some cases it was the failure of the lessees to take proper action. In other cases there was no cultivation for want of sufficient seeds. In some other cases due to very early rains, no cultivation could be done.

Damage of Paddy for want of proper care.

33 * **MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any quantity of paddy purchased by them from within the State got damaged through dampness and sprouting for want of proper care;

(*b*) whether they have made any provision for preserving in good condition the paddy which they purchased from the ryots; and

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(c) the persons or officers responsible for maintaining in good condition the paddy they purchase from the ryots until distribution?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: (a) No. (b) Yes.

(c) Purchasing Proverthicars and Accountants on the responsibility and control of the Tahsildars.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER: May I know whether the paddy which was collected in the month of Meenom and Medom was not removed from the bins even up to the time of Dhanu 1119?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: It was not removed because there was no damage to the paddy collected there.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnathur*): Are the Government aware that in the taluk of Kartikapally much damage has been caused on account of the delay in removing paddy from the place of storage?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: It was reported that unless paddy was removed, damage was likely to be caused. Immediately instructions were issued to the Tahsildar, Kartikapally, to dispose of it in that taluk or to transport the same to Karunagapally and Quilon taluks. That has been done.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: In answer to part (a), may I know whether any enquiry has been made in the matter?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: Yes, Sir. Whenever I go to a place the first thing I do is to enquire whether the paddy purchased and stored remains in good condition.

Travancoreans owning paddy lands in British India.

34 * MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether Travancoreans possess paddy lands in the adjacent British Indian districts; and

(b) whether such persons are permitted to transport to Travancore for their consumption any portion of the paddy grown in their fields in British India?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Food Grains Purchase Officer*) (a) Yes. (b) No.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know whether any Travancoreans are compelled to sell their stock of paddy grown in their fields in the adjacent British Indian Districts?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: Travancoreans are not permitted to export their paddy from British India.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know whether it is a case in which they are compelled to dispose of their paddy at the spot?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: They can either dispose of the paddy or keep it there. The only thing is that they cannot bring it over here.

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